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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully request that the following amendment be entered into the application:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between lines 2 and 3, insert - This application is a continuation of 09/367,833 filed August 25, 1999 which is a national stage of PCT/JP98/00831 filed February 27, 1998--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4,

line 2, delete "any of claims 1 to 3" and insert -- claim 1--.

Claim 6.

line 2, delete "or 5".